

### New Housing Plans Detailed at Community Workshop

By Gerry L. Galvan

Citizens and residents of Visitation Valley have been getting a regular dose of messages on the progression of both public housing development and redevelopment programs in their area.

Dialogue has often been a two-way communication between Mercy Charities and Valley residents enabling the neighborhood an opportunity to voice personal feelings on the projects. Local residents could also learn the basics of issues at hand.

One of the latest exposures to progress updates was a community workshop conducted jointly by the Geneva Valley Development Corporation (GVDC) and Mercy Charities Housing of California (MCH) at the Schwerin Street headquarters of the Village on Apr. 5. On Apr. 19, MCH joined forces with John King Senior Housing (JKSH) in briefing another group of neighborhood enthusiasts during a discussion on how much mileage the JKSH project has clocked.

Except for a usual injection of cultural, ideological and political flavor by vested groups' spokespersons and leaders, both workshops turned positively productive.

Building models of upcoming homes to replace the now-abandoned Geneva Towers were complemented with ground layouts and presented to both prospective tenants and plainly curious observers in attendance by Powell and Partners, an architectural group now handling the contract.

Shortly after the morning workshop, the GVDC board led by Brenda Lopez met in an executive session at the Village to discuss and approve an executive director's report. It included a budget proposal, together with a resolution to terminate agreements with both the California Mutual Housing Association (CMHA) and Geneva Towers Residents Council (GTRC). CMHA had a management contract with GVDC, while GTRC was acting as a GVDC/parent/umbrella organization.

Also contained in the executive director's report was Resolution #00, authorizing GVDC to apply for and acquire Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH) funds. About \$211,880 will be spent in the administration and staffing of a work force that will supervise 150 replacement homes to be constructed along Sunnydale Avenue, a stone's throw away from the old buildings.

Plans for the John King Senior Housing were presented to the public by Van Meter Williams/Pollack, a Los Angeles-based architecture and urban design group.

Both Van Meter Williams, and Powell and Partners participated in the final selection process conducted by Mercy Charities Housing of California.

Both redevelopment projects and JKSH are funded by the federal government's Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the San Francisco Mayor's Office of Community Development (MOCD).

In the meantime on Apr. 25 at John



Fred Powell of Powell and Partners discussed important points of construction with those attending the Apr. 15 workshop.



Powell and Partners principal partner George Ivelich later explained vital documents associated with the proposed Valley housing.



Various Valley residents expressed their concerns about the new buildings at the meeting.

Photos: Gerry L. Galvan

King Senior Center, parent organization of JKSH, 12 of 13 board members approved a revised 1996-97 JKSH budget during an emergency meeting. Figures were then submitted to the Commission on Aging (COA) later that same afternoon. On May 1, the Center and COA executives will sit down and renegotiate the 1997-98 budget. A 9 a.m. briefing will follow on May 5 with the Center's executive director explaining results of both budget proposals.

An interesting item recently irri-

tated many of the board members -- newly-inducted and old-timers alike -- is a transport company's continuous denial of rides to seniors 62 years and older. A large group of seniors, possibly three van loads, is planning to picket company headquarters on this irritating issue. One particularly important question the seniors will be asking is: "Is the Older American Act for 62 years or older no longer in effect? Are both the Commission on Aging and the transport company changing their current policies? And on what ground do seniors stand?"

### Midway Village Residents Taking Their Illnesses to Court

For years, residents of Midway Village, a 150-unit development directly southeast of the Cow Palace, knew there must have been a reason for the unusually large number of sicknesses they were experiencing. When officials from both the state of California and PG&E finally began informing them about six years ago that gas was once manufactured on the site where they are now living and that the soil under their homes was highly contaminated, then anger set in.

"People over here are seriously ill," said Marion Brown, a longtime resident who knew something was dread-

fully wrong when a water main break in 1991 near her home caused a strange black substance to ooze through the ground to the surface. She explained that a consultant to the National Cancer Institute has already testified that exposure to the dangerous chemicals lingering in the Midway Village ground could significantly increase the probability of developing diseases affecting eyes, ears, nose and throat, as well as skin, bone marrow, gastronomic and immunologic systems.

Now in the midst of a legal battle,

residents of the 20-year-old Daly City development have been organizing meetings to keep abreast of new developments continually arising from this dangerous situation. Brown cited various illnesses experienced by some of her fellow residents, including two known cases of breast cancer. A recent attempt by some Midway residents to secure multiple copies of informative documents about the problem from one government agency was met with resistance when they were told no more than 40 copies were available to them. But as Brown plainly stated, "We are not going away."

### Valley Task Force Adopts Bylaws

After months of untold delay, members of the Visitation Valley Task Force (VVTF) finally adopted an amended 10-page version of the organization's bylaws at their regular monthly meeting on Apr. 26.

Originally updated last November, a large number of agenda events and questions concerning certain parts of the document's language have kept members from putting the bylaws into affect. Most important in this shortened version is a provision in Section 10.01 allowing the VVTF to easily amend its section with approval of its members.

Now consisting of 30 sections, the document divides Visitation Valley into seven geographical sub-areas, including: Geneva Towers/Village/Britton Street; Geneva Terrace; Leland Avenue; Little Hollywood; Lower Visitation; Sunnydale; and Upper Visitation.

Designed to be served by a board consisting of 21 members, each sub-area will be represented by two VVTF members of which one member can be a service provider. Three members will serve from either the business or industrial or mercantile areas from the neighborhood, while four persons will represent churches, senior associations and schools. No task force member will be allowed to miss more than two VVTF meetings without a valid written excuse.

Meeting dates have now been officially set at the fourth Saturday of every month. Next VVTF meeting will be Saturday, May 24, 10:30 a.m. at the Visitation Valley Community Center (VVCC) gym, 50 Raymond Ave.

A complete set of the new bylaws is scheduled to be printed in the June issue of the Grapevine.

#### OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

In a full agenda of activities, representatives of both IAM CARES and Urban Ecology made presentations to the VVTF.

IAM CARES is a nonprofit, no-fee job placement service based in both San Francisco and San Mateo coun-

ties helping qualified people with disabilities obtain suitable employment.

Representatives from Urban Ecology in Oakland offered their services to the VVTF to mutually seek funding for neighborhood enhancement (See Grapevine Mailbox on Page 2).

#### ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY

Representatives from the Enterprise Community, funding the original benchmarks selected by the VVTF two years ago, announced that all except one of the original earmark grants would be given consideration in the second cycle of funding. With an additional \$109,000 in funds needing to be allocated, a special meeting to discuss two new priority outcomes of safety and communication has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 6 at 6 p.m. in the VVCC gym.

#### MORE BUS SERVICE

ESI instructor Marlene Tran told the VVTF of her efforts to get hours of the 9x-San Bruno line extended each day to 20 hours. Having collected more than 3,000 signatures petitioning for increased service on this route vital to many living in Visitation Valley, she pointed out the line's current hours end much too early for many local residents heavily depending on it to return home from the northern part of the City.

Explaining a proposal to extend light rail service down Third Street also called for eventual removal of its heavily-used 15-line, a list of nine concerns was compiled, including: timely scheduling, accessibility, proper lighting, and built-in safety features including an electronic sign displaying information about delays. She also requested that suggestion forms be provided to riders in several languages to make service more efficient. Tran also said she'd prefer to see the proposed rail line pass through the Valley and extend in a loop to Balboa Station and City College for more accessibility to other neighborhoods.

"Right now it's like a river running down Third Street and stopping in front of our Valley."

### Study Says Better Teacher Compensation Equals a Higher Quality of Childcare

Parents are most likely to find high quality care that supports their children's development in child care centers that are both accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and that pays their teachers better than average wages, according to a new independent study. Centers that pay higher wages retain more skilled teachers who provide better care to children.

The study by the National Center for Early Childhood Work Force (NCECW), a nonprofit research and educational organization, is the first large-scale assessment of the nation's leading accreditation system for child care centers. It examined 92 programs in three California communities between 1994 and 1996. In 1996, nearly 10,000 of the nation's 97,000 child care centers were seeking NAEYC accreditation, and about 5,000 child care centers were NAEYC-accredited.

Many parents, policy makers and employers look to NAEYC accreditation to improve the quality of child care. Nationally, approximately 15 per-

cent of center-based child care for preschoolers, and at least double that amount for infants, is considered harmful, while 70 percent is rated as mediocre and only 15 percent of care is rated good or excellent in quality. Concerns over quality are likely to mushroom with the surging demand for child care created by welfare reform, and mounting evidence on the significance of brain development during the first three years of children's lives and its lasting effects on their social and intellectual development.

NAEYC-accredited centers are several times more likely than other centers in the community to be rated high in quality, according to the study. However, 39 percent of NAEYC-accredited centers were rated as mediocre in overall quality. NAEYC accreditation falls short as a consistent standard of excellence. High turnover among teaching staff, fueled by insufficient wages, poses serious challenges to centers seeking to provide high-quality services.

Highly-skilled teachers who remained on the job during the course

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### Recommendations for Third Street LRV Project to be Presented at New Workshop

Project team recommendations for important upcoming decisions on the Third Street Light Rail Project will be discussed Tuesday, May 6 when the City hosts its next public workshop at 6:30 p.m. at the Southeast Community Facility Community Room, 1800 Oakdale Ave.

Up to seven miles of a new light rail line would run from downtown San Francisco to the Bayshore CalTrain Station.

Visitation Valley residents attended a neighborhood workshop at Schlage Lock on April 7. Similar meetings have been providing interested community members with the opportunity to give input into decisions relating to the re-design of Third Street to accommodate light rail, including the proposed line's downtown alignment and station locations.

Based on results of ongoing techni-

cal studies and public input from this workshop, Muni staff will bring project recommendations to the San Francisco Public Transportation Commission at its June 10 meeting. The commission will be asked to reduce the set of project design options to a smaller set for study in the Environmental Impact Statement.

### Visitation Valley Festival Returning To Leland Avenue

Friends and neighbors are encouraged to come and join in on the food and fun as Visitation Valley holds its 13th annual Festival on Saturday, May 17 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. along Leland Avenue from Bayshore Boulevard to Rutland Street. Many booths will display and sell a variety of items



## Grapevine Mailbox



### New Waste Facility Site Considered; Uncertainties in 49ers Stadium

Dear Editor:

During March and April 1997, members of the Little Hollywood Committee have attended various meetings. Ms. Anne Ing, an attorney for Golden Gate University Environmental Law and Justice Clinic and two student clinicians, Ms. Kimberly Cluff and Mr. Nicholas Sher, attended some of these meetings and a tour of the facilities at Sanitary Fill Company. The law students are graduating in couple of weeks, so for our communities and the committee I say "CONGRATULATIONS" AND "THANK YOU." The articulate presentations and effective letters have been a great help to our cause and our community.

March meetings attended: Hazardous Materials Advisory Committee; Ground Breaking ceremony at the Korean First Presbyterian Church for the remodel and new construction; University of California, San Francisco proposed new campus site; tour of Sanitary Fill Company with the Hazardous Material Advisory Committee; meeting with San Francisco Supervisor Tom Ammiano, Hazardous Waste Management and Sanitary Fill Company.

April meetings attended: Two meetings with Hazardous Waste Management and Sanitary Fill Company; Southeast Alliance for Environmental Justice; and representatives of the 49ers, the Mayor's Office, and Mills Malls.

Our Committee and community have said for years that a more appropriate location for solid waste (garbage, trash and public disposal), hazardous waste and large scale recycling was a section of the southern waterfront. Norcal has proposed to relocate the Westcoast Recycling facility operations from 350 Rhode Island St. and 401 Tunnel Ave. to Pier 80. This is a very large site and *Shed A* will be shared with Home Depot. Home Depot has proposed a five year lease.

Norcal is proposing to lease a 16 acre portion of the Port of San Francisco site. Curbside, apartment, bar and restaurant, commercial and industrial recycling will be done by Golden Gate Disposal, Sunset Scavenger, and Westcoast Recycling Company. Construction cost of the project is estimated at \$8 million. Residual waste would be loaded into transfer trucks and hauled directly to the Altamont Landfill. The case file is Planning Department number 97.140E.

The communities of Little Hollywood and Visitacion Valley should encourage this relocation and our Committee will continue to seek another site in that portion of the southern Waterfront where a new transfer station and hazardous waste facility can be built. A consolidation of management and management operations is necessary as well as a location that is central to the City to ensure a cost effective and efficient solid waste management program. The allocation of residential and apartment garbage

### Grapevine Gets a New Phone Number

Beginning May 1, the *Visitacion Valley Grapevine* can be reached directly at (415) 467-9300. A voice mail system will also be in operation that day to better serve the Valley. Readers can also E-mail the *Grapevine* at: [visitacion@msn.com](mailto:visitacion@msn.com)

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ratepayers' funds would be easier to get approved if the funds are spent on buildings and new construction on property that belongs to the City instead of privately-held property.

The Southeast Alliance for Environmental Justice (SAEJ) meeting of Apr. 9, 1997 was held in Our Lady of Lourdes Church in the Bayview. The purpose of the meeting was for residents and owners of businesses from the area surrounding Candlestick Park to ask questions about the proposed stadium/mall. Representatives from the Mayor's Office, Mills Malls and the 49ers tried to answer questions. Prior to the meeting, 16 written questions were asked and many answers were vague and contrary to what is in the newspaper and on television.

Proposition F should be a concern to anyone that is involved with the environment. This proposition eliminates many other environmental protective ballot initiatives, ordinances, laws, limits, regulations and amendments.

The \$400-per-square-foot profitability has ruled out the merchants from

### Program Offers to Work with Valley

*The following letter was presented April 26 by the Community Design Consulting Program to the Visitacion Valley Task Force at its regular monthly meeting*

Dear Visitacion Valley Neighborhood Task Force Members and Visitacion Valley Community Members:

The Community Design Consulting Program is a not-for-profit urban planning service. The service is offered to select communities in the San Francisco Bay Area. Community Design is a program of Urban Ecology, Inc., which is a not-for-profit organization based in Oakland. Urban Ecology advocates for building cities that are environmentally healthy, socially just, and economically stable.

Community Design helps communities plan for change in their neighborhoods. We offer urban planners, facilitators, and other professionals to help community groups plan how they want their neighborhoods to change and evolve.

Community design offers this service free of charge to local community group, and many of Urban Ecology's members volunteer their services to the program. However, in large neighborhoods like Visitacion Valley where the neighborhood planning and coalition

the Bayview relocating to the mall. The need to widen Gillman Avenue and Jamestown Avenue will mean some houses will have to be removed. Fair market value in a depressed area and in a depressed market will mean less assessed value. The jobs will be allowed to be union if more than 50 percent of the workers hired want to be union members. Who will pay for the construction of the Geneva Avenue roadway extension between Highway 101 and Bayshore Boulevard was a question that was unanswered. There were no answers for the question "What will the 49ers do for the Bayview if Proposition D and F fail at the polls?" Would all the businesses in San Francisco like the City to give them one dollar for every \$4.25 that they invested in the City?

In order to get yes votes, a lot more answers better be shown to the voters. If I get the written replies to the 16 SAEJ questions, I will submit them to the *Grapevine*.

Thank you for your time,  
Ralph Oroquita.

building is complex and lengthy, the program must pay its consultants for the work that they do. Therefore, Community Design applies for funding from private foundations, city agencies, and other sources to pay for high-quality urban planning professionals. The chances of obtaining funding are better when Community Design applies for funding together with community groups. Therefore, we enter partnership agreements with community groups and apply for funding together. The time period for applying for funding and waiting for a response usually lasts six months or more. Therefore, Community Design must plan its projects several months in advance.

We have been interested in the community and neighborhood planning and development that is taking place in Visitacion Valley. We believe that there is an excellent opportunity for people who live and work in Visitacion Valley to plan for and improve the health of this community. However, we feel that it must take place through structured, open dialogues and partnerships that include current and former community residents, city office representatives, not-for-profit organizations, Visitacion Valley businesses, churches, social service agencies, and other people or groups who will be affected by changes in this neighborhood.

Community Design is prepared to enter a partnership with the Visitacion Valley Neighborhood Task Force. If the members of the Task Force would like Community Design to provide any or all of the services listed, then by voting to work out an initial partnership. If the partnership is accepted, then Community Design and the Task Force will begin developing a neighborhood planning project for Visitacion Valley, and will seek funding in partnership with each other.

We would like to emphasize that we feel that neighborhood planning must be an open, inclusive process. In entering a partnership with the Task Force, we are not taking sides with any



party, but rather joining forces with the Task Force because it represents and communicates with all the different groups in Visitacion Valley. Our intent is to advocate for Urban Ecology's sustainable development philosophy as it is stated above. We believe that the people of Visitacion Valley have the opportunity to create a neighborhood that is environmentally healthy, socially just, and economically stable. We would be honored to work toward this goal with you.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Motoyama  
Regine Shambrook  
Community Design Steering Committee  
Urban Ecology Volunteers

### Meeting to Clarify Waste Plant Dispute

*Following is a letter sent April 21 from Golden Gate University's Environmental Law and Justice Clinic-School of Law to Karen Strandoo of Solid Waste Management*

Dear Mrs. Strandoo:

We are writing to you as a follow-up to the meeting that took place on the 14th at your office. We feel that it was a successful meeting and want to be sure that all parties are in agreement as to what was discussed and finalized.

Of primary importance was the agreement reached regarding the daily VOC emissions and the gallons of waste to be consolidated per day at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWCF). The amounts agreed to were VSQG air emissions of no greater than 8.9994 pounds per day and Household Waste emissions no greater than 6.6332. In addition the number

of gallons to be consolidated will be no greater than 2.5 times the gallon amounts of 1995. Additional limitations are the hours of operation of the facility, and collection days. As to one day collection events, there will be no exception on the gallon amounts to be consolidated, so that at all times the facility stays within the above limitations. These limitations will appear in the Operating Manual and the Operating Agreement for the facility.

The community agreed to these amounts based on a number of factors. First, it was represented to the Community and to the Environmental Law and Justice Clinicians that the 1995 gallon amounts were likely the highest amounts that the facility would experience under the current permit, a three year period. As illustrated by numbers the Solid Waste Management program presented to the Community and the ELJC, the amount of waste going through the facility has leveled out and is not expected to increase in the next few years.

In addition, the City is actively looking for ways to decrease the impact on the Little Hollywood community. The Solid Waste Management office has been asked by the Hazardous Materials Advisory Committee to look for other collection sites in San Francisco. While all parties understand that the time line for siting such an alternative collection site is uncertain, the City is pursuing these options.

Our mitigation option that the Little Hollywood community is particularly interested in is emissions control devices on the stacks of the HHWCF. At the meeting it was stated that the addition of these devices was "up for discussion;" the LHC looks forward to this discussion.

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## Did You Know?

Steel is America's most recycled material! More steel is recycled annually than glass, paper, plastic, aluminum and other metals combined!

- What we commonly call tin cans are actually steel cans coated with a thin layer of tin.
- San Francisco residents recycled more than 2 million pounds of steel cans last year.
- Residents are currently recycling only 1 out of every 5 cans.
- Rinsed steel cans are easy to recycle. They don't need to be flattened and you don't have to remove labels.

### Recycle your steel cans!

Use your curbside blue bin or your blue apartment recycling bin. For more recycling information, call the **San Francisco Recycling Program Hotline at 554-RECYCLE.**





## North America's Most Recycled Material

By David Assmann  
S.F. Recycling Program

When you think about recycling, steel is probably not the first item that comes to mind. Yet steel is North America's most recycled material. More steel is recycled annually than glass, paper, plastic, aluminum and other materials combined.

Much of this recycled steel comes from construction sites, cars and appliances. Last year, 30 million tons of steel were recycled from construction and demolition projects nationwide. To put this figure into perspective, that's about five times as much as the combined weight of all newspapers recycled nationwide. Another 13 million tons of scrap steel came from automobiles.

Appliances are the third major source of steel for recycling. Steel makes up about three-quarters of the weight of appliances, and this steel is easily recycled. Old air conditioners, washers, dishwashers, freezers, microwave ovens, refrigerators and other appliances are a valuable source of steel for new products. Since 1990, the national recycling rate for major home appliances has risen from 32 percent to 75 percent, producing more than 2.1 million tons of recycled steel in 1995 alone.

Steel makes up about 5 percent of the waste generated in San Francisco. We recycle about 45 million pounds of steel - 45 percent of the 100 million pounds of steel waste generated by San Francisco residents and businesses.

Since we can't put cars and refrigerators out on the curb for recycling, how can residents help recycle steel? The easiest thing we can do is recycle steel cans. What most of us have traditionally called tin cans are actually steel cans coated with a thin layer of tin. Steel cans include food, beverage, paint and aerosol containers. Bottle caps are also made from steel.

Steel cans and bottle caps are easily recyclable in San Francisco's curbside and apartment recycling programs (but not aerosol containers). Labels do not need to be removed, and you don't have to flatten the can. Please make sure, however, that the can is clean and rinsed. All you need to do is put your clean cans in your blue curbside bin, or, if you live in an apartment building with central recycling containers, put the cans in the large blue recycling container.

Last year, San Franciscans recycled more than 2 million pounds of cans. Although this sounds impressive, it represents less than 20 percent of the steel waste generated by residents each year.

Steel recycling preserves natural resources. For every ton of steel that is recycled, we save 2,500 pounds of iron ore, 1,000 pounds of coal and conserve more than 10 million BTUs of energy.

The average household uses two pounds of steel cans per week. If these cans are recycled, enough energy is saved to keep a 60-watt light bulb burning for more than two days. If we recycled just half the steel cans used by San Francisco residents in one year, we'd save enough energy to keep that light bulb burning for more than 40,000 years.

So what happens to the steel cans collected in the curbside and apartment recycling programs? Well, first they get separated from the other containers, then they get baled and shipped to a mill near Stockton, CA. Once the cans are shredded and cleaned, the tin is separated from the steel at manufacturing plants either in Arizona or Washington. The tin is used to manufacture new cans, pewter solder, and bronze.

The steel is sold to steel mills (for remanufacture into steel products - including cans). Two types of furnaces are used today in the steelmaking process. The first, a basic oxygen furnace,

creates steel for cans, automobiles and appliances. This type of furnace usually uses about 28 percent steel scrap to make new steel. The second kind of furnace, the electric arc furnace, uses virtually 100 percent scrap steel to make new steel products for construction projects.

Recycling more steel cans is an easy way to help conserve resources. So the next time you recycle, make sure you include your steel cans. And, since steel cans contain an average of 28 percent recycled steel, you can promote recycling by buying products packaged in steel cans.

## Lots of Books Available At S.F. SPCA Sale

S.F. SPCA will hold a book sale on both May 17 and 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in its Multi-Purpose Room at 243 Alabama St. Also offered will be a large collection of records, cassettes, videotapes and CD-ROMs. Call 554-3000 for further information.

## Standing for the Health Of the City's Children

Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth along with other community groups invites the public to join in standing with thousands of Americans across the nation for children on Sunday, June 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be food, entertainment and an Advocacy Fair featuring the work of the many groups working to improve the health and well being of San Francisco's children. For more information, call 641-4362.

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## Community Forum at Elementary School To Discuss the Importance of Respect


By Rita Adrian

A community forum on the *Importance of Respect*, sponsored by Community Boards of San Francisco in collaboration with the Visitacion Valley Community Center and the Neighborhood Safety Partnership, will be held Saturday, May 10, 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Elementary School, 55 Schwerin St. Cantonese simultaneous translation will be available.

If possible, attendees can arrive at

12 noon with a light lunch and, if desired, something to share. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

Young, elderly or in-between residents of either the Valley or adjacent neighborhoods should plan to attend. Understanding respect -- and getting it and giving it -- are the first steps in increasing trust and safety while building unity in our community. Put it on your calendar!



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## Third Street Light Rail Project Corridor-Wide Workshop

Please join MUNI to discuss  
*Project Team Recommendations*  
for the Third Street Light Rail Project

Tuesday, May 6  
6:30 pm: Open House  
7:00 - 9:00 pm: Presentation and Discussion  
Southeast Community Facility  
1800 Oakdale Avenue (at Phelps)

Based on input from community members and MUNI's technical analysis, the project team will make recommendations on the following:

- How will the light rail line connect into downtown San Francisco?
- Where will the stations be?
- How will Third and other streets be re-configured for light rail?
- Where will the new rail maintenance yard be located?

In June, the San Francisco Public Transportation Commission will select which options will be evaluated in the Environmental Impact Report.

For more information, please call the Project Hotline, at 415/703-6655.

Individuals who will need help with translation and/or accessible services should call MUNI Accessible Services at 415/923-6142 (TDD: 415/923-6366) 72 hours prior to the meeting. The meeting facilities are wheelchair accessible.

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When the current permit is going to be reviewed in three years, the community will be notified and will be allowed to give input as to the efficacy of the renewal. This means the community will receive notice of the renewal and sufficient information regarding the operation of the facility, to give accurate and informed comment.

Lastly, your office will explore ways to keep the Little Hollywood community up to date on developments with the HHWCF. Some ideas that were discussed were a community meeting that coincided with the release of reports by the HHWCF to your office. Kelly Etherington stated that she requests quarterly reports from the facility. The results of these reports will be put in a format that will ensure the community can understand them.

Another vehicle discussed to keep the community informed was the posting of reports in the post office, community center and public library. While it was not discussed at this last meeting, it would be favorable if these reports could be translated.

We hope the above is an accurate reflection of the meeting on April 14th. If anything that we have stated does not comport with your understanding, please contact the ELJC at your earliest convenience.

Very Truly Yours,  
Kimberly Cluff,  
Nicholas Sher,  
Student Clinicians ELJC

Industrial Park Necessary in S.F.

Following is a letter sent April 23 by Ralph Oroquita of the Little Hollywood Committee to Dione Wong, a reviewer with the S F Planning Department

Dear Ms. Wong:  
I am writing to say that our community and Committee have been recommending that the recycling facilities, the hazardous waste facility, and the garbage transfer facilities should be relocated to a large M2 Heavy Industrial zone. Other recycling companies are sited in the southern waterfront district and this is more central to the City. Traffic will always be a problem in the City. Using No Left Turn and one-way streets will solve a lot of the large truck congestion to gain access to freeways.

An official industrial park is necessary for the survival of the blue collar workers of San Francisco. Our Committee has always recommended that a portion of the southern waterfront should be an industrial park. The borders of that industrial district should be Mariposa Street on the north, San Francisco Bay on the east, Islais Creek/

Cesar Chavez Street (formerly Army Street) on the south, and Highway 280 on the west. All the residential units should be purchased by the City to minimize the adverse environmental effects of air emissions including road dust. The medical cost for all the related respiratory diseases to toxic or hazardous air emissions has overburdened all major cities. Prevention is more humane and cost-effective.

The relocation of the recycle facilities from 350 Rhode Island St. and 401 Tunnel Ave. to Pier 80 will greatly increase the quality of life for the residents of Potrero Hill, Visitacion Valley, and Little Hollywood.

Survey Reveals Consumers Not Receiving Adequate Drug Information from HMOs

A recently-released survey by a consumer advocacy group citizens for the Right to Know concludes that millions of consumers are unable to access any information about the medications covered by their own health care plans.

"In this area of managed care, consumers are finding it extremely difficult to find out if certain medications are covered by an HMO," said Joan Stevie, president of the Arthritis Foundation, Northeastern California Chapter - one of 70 organizations supporting Right to Know. We conducted this survey to find out if consumers are able to get the information they need before they enroll in a health care plan. And the answer is, that a majority of the time, their requests are not being met."

Right to Know is an alliance of health care organizations and consumer groups whose focus is to educate consumers about the need to become informed purchasers of health care. The coalition contacted 48 HMOs who provide services to almost all of California's 14 million managed care enrollees, and requested copies of their drug formulary list. Their responses were reflective of the condition of managed care.

The most alarming findings of the survey were:

\*10 percent of the HMO customer service representatives don't know what a drug formulary list is.

\*35 percent of the HMOs had no one available to answer the simple yes-or-no availability question.

Our community believes that the Mayor's Office, Board of Supervisors, Port Commission, and the Planning Commission can build a San Francisco Industrial Park that will be model in air emission control and traffic flow.

Thank you for your time,  
Ralph Oroquita

"One especially candid HMO member services representative stated that the purpose of their formulary is to keep costs down. She said that if the doctor wants to prescribe something else, they would have to prove that the drug is medically necessary and financially appropriate by initiating an extensive review process. That process usually takes weeks or months," Stevie commented.

The survey also reports that:

\*23 percent of the HMOs stated their drug lists are proprietary and only available to doctors and pharmacists - not to their members or to prospective enrollees.

\*Fewer than 8 percent said their plan covers anything a physician prescribes and their is no need for a formulary list.

\*Four percent of the smaller HMOs contract out their drug plans and said they did not have access to their own coverage information.

"This survey shows the clear need for disclosure requirements. Managed care organizations should be required to provide this critical information about their coverage to both members and prospective enrollees," stated Senator Herschel Rosenthal, Chair of the Senate Insurance Committee. "If some of the plans can disclose their drug lists to members, then certainly all plans can do it. Coverage information should be provided to every Californian who has health insurance or is looking for health insurance."

Bill to Remove Bad Students from School

A bill by Assemblyman Bill Morrow to remove pupils who are charged with serious violent offenses from neighborhood schools was recently passed in Sacramento by the Assembly Education Committee. The bill, AB 1351, will authorize suspension while a student faces charges and expulsion if convicted of specified crimes such as murder, rape, assault, kidnapping and the use of a weapon.

"It's an unfortunate mirror image of our increasingly violent society, but we have some terrifying children in our public schools who have been charged with heinous crimes," said Morrow. "This bill removes these dangerous individuals from the student body and makes our schools a safer environment."

Currently school districts are only allowed to suspend or expel students for incidents that are committed on campus or at school related activities. Very often campus violence stems from incidents happening in the community that eventually can spill over into the schools.

"Someone who commits crimes as these off campus as well as on campus should not be allowed to be in a classroom with students who are trying to learn," said Morrow. "Teachers and students need to concentrate on class work at school, not worry about violent students who may threaten their safety."

Town Hall Meeting for Bayview Task Force

The first town hall meeting of Bayview Hunters Point Health Assessment Task Force will take place Saturday, May 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Southeast Community College, 1800 Oakdale Ave.

Researchers will present their current community-based findings on topics such as breast cancer rates, asthma rates, childhood lead exposure and the prevalence of environmental hazards in the BVHP area.

A Resource Fair will be held concurrent with the meeting. Call 255-3724 for more information.

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Enterprise Community  
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MAY NATIONAL PARK EVENTS

Call for reservations.

FORT POINT

\*Pier Crabbing: Equipment, bait (50 cents fee) and regulations, 2 p.m. May 3, 17, 31 (556-1693).

OCEAN BEACH

\*For Lovers of Plovers: Birdwatching at Ocean Beach seawall, 9:30 a.m. May 11 (556-8642).

PRESIDIO

Visitor Center open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (561-4323); Museum open Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (561-4323).

\*Crispy Field Aviation Walk: Learn about its role in aviation history, 10 a.m. May 10 (561-4323).

\*Flags Over the Presidio: Meanings behind the flags, 2 p.m. May 25 (561-4323).

\*Great Scott: Two mile walk around Fort Winfield Scott, 2 p.m. May 10 (561-4323).

\*The Last Gun: Demonstration of this last operational 50-ton gun of its kind, 10 a.m. May 3 (561-4323).

\*National Cemetery Walk: 1 p.m. May 6 (561-4323).

\*Presidio History Walk: 10:30 a.m. May 17, 24, 26 (561-4323).

\*Walk on the Presidio's Wild Side: Learn the post's natural areas, 1 p.m. May 18 (561-4323).

PACIFIC SHORE

Cliff House Visitor Center open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (556-8642). Fort Funston Visitor Center open daily 12 noon to 4 p.m. (239-2366).



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Dr. Sam Ho (left), Medical Director and the staff of Visitacion Valley Neighborhood Clinic

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Historic Proportions

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- 1. During surgery on December 3, one of these was transplanted for the first time.
- 2. On November 9, this popular bi-weekly was first issued.
- 3. *Record of the Year* at the Grammys.
- 4. And they were singing *All You Need is Love*.
- 5. *Best Picture* at the Academy Awards.
- 6. But this movie was the top money-maker.
- 7. Starting September 14, he began wheeling around the streets of S.F.
- 8. Following a successful sitcom, they began hosting a popular, but controversial variety show.
- 9. On June 16-18, a landmark event in the history of popular music.
- 10. This soft drink list made its big splash.
- 11. The very first Super Bowl winners on January 15.
- 12. Veteran actor Jesse White began

- sitting around in boredom as this spokesperson.
- 13. They won the World Series.
- 14. Place where young people flocked during the *Summer of Love*.
- 15. On January 27, a fire accidently kills the crew of this spacecraft.
- 16. Host city for *Expo 67*.
- 17. First use of this automotive feature.
- 18. And first appearance of these young people.
- A. Haight-Ashbury
- B. Up-Up and Away
- C. Smothers Brothers
- D. Hippies
- E. Green Bay Packers
- F. Montreal
- G. Rolling Stone
- H. Frisca
- I. Monterey Pop Festival
- J. Maytag repairman
- K. St. Louis Cardinals
- L. The Dirty Dozen
- M. Human heart
- N. Apollo 1
- O. A Man for All Seasons
- P. Washer-wiper
- Q. Ironside
- R. The Beatles

13-K; 14-V; 15-N; 16-F; 17-P; 18-D  
19-L; 7-Q; 8-C; 9-I; 10-H; 11-E; 12-J  
Answers: 1-M; 2-G; 3-B; 4-R; 5-O;

This Month in S.F. History

- MAY
- 1. In 1974, Muni inaugurated the Fast Pass, providing unlimited access to its busses and streetcars. In 1992, Mayor Frank Jordan declared a second night of curfew in the City to prevent rioting and looting which plagued the downtown area the previous evening, one day after the Rodney King beating trial concluded.
- 2. In 1923, the Embarcadero Subway, a two-lane underpass built to speed traffic by the Ferry Building, was completed. Also that day, the original Kezar Stadium, built in part with a donation from a generous donor, first opened its gates.
- 4. In 1850, an early morning fire burned a large portion of the City's business district, causing nearly \$5 million in damages. In 1851, exactly one year later, an even larger fire started at 11 p.m. in a paint store, burning almost 2,000 structures in 10 hours, and causing losses in excess of \$11 million. Remarkably, the DeWitt and Harrison warehouse was spared with the use of 80,000 gallons of vinegar.
- 5. Failing financially in his attempt to publish a penny tabloid, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr. closed his San Francisco Illustrated Daily Herald in 1926.
- 6. In 1856, the S.F. Chamber of Commerce was organized.
- 9. In 1882, the Telegraph Hill Railroad Company was established. Three counterbalance cars operated on a three-block single-track line with turnouts on Greenwich St. from Powell St. to an observatory atop Telegraph Hill. In 1958, the last of Muni's two-man streetcars

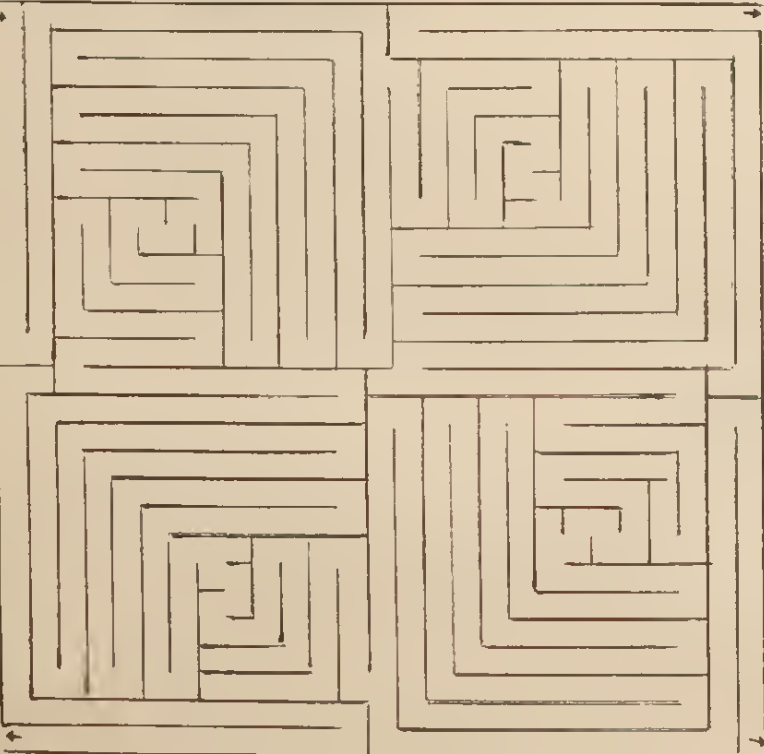
- made their final runs, replaced the next day by newer one-man PCC streetcars.
- 11. In 1855, the El Dorado, largest and most respected gaming house in the City, closed its doors upon passage of anti-gambling state legislation.
- 14. In 1856, James King of William, outspoken editor of the Evening Bulletin, was shot to death in a duel with James Casey, publisher of the Sunday Times, in one of the most famous altercations in S.F. history. Casey, perturbed by a Bulletin item identifying him as a one-time Sing-Sing inmate, was executed by vigilantes eight days later.
- 16. In 1872, Metropolitan Gas Company street lamps were first lit.
- 23. In 1956, the World Trade Center, located in the Ferry Building, was dedicated.
- 24. In 1987, pedestrians packed the Golden Gate Bridge -- closed to motor vehicle traffic for several hours -- in celebration of its 50th birthday.
- 25. In 1940, the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island opened its second season. In 1948, San Franciscans received their very first telecast.
- 26. In 1958, a plaque dedication honoring John Geary, the first mayor of San Francisco, was held in Union Square, an event marking the downtown park's dedication as a state historical landmark.
- 27. In 1854, a marine telegraph line was completed from Fort Point to the downtown area. In 1937, after four years of construction, thousands of pedestrians crossed the newly built Golden Gate Bridge on its opening day.

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE GRAPEVINE

- MAY 1992
- \*Members of the Coalition for Community Development presented Mayor Frank Jordan with a *Keep the Commitment* T-shirt as he proclaimed the week of Apr. 20-24 *National Community Development Week*.
- \*The Valley-Wide Parents' Council,

- organized to promote a safe and healthy environment both drug and violence-free; advocate for a fair share of funding for programs; and to develop and offer neighborhood-based parents' support groups, speakers and a resource/referral program, was formed in Visitacion Valley.
- \*The Valley's 8th annual street festival was scheduled for the third Saturday of the month.
- \*Wilson High School's *Full Service Committee* asked for community support in finding students work for the summer.

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National Monuments

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| Agate Fossil Beds            | Death Valley                          | George Washington Birthplace | Muir Woods        |
| Alibates Flint Quarries      | Devils Postpile                       | George Washington Carver     | Natural Bridges   |
| Aniakchak                    | Devils Tower                          | Gila                         | Navajo            |
| Aztec Ruins                  | Dinosaur                              | Cliff Dwellings              | Ocmulgee          |
| Bandelier                    | Effigy                                | Grand Portage                | Oregon Caves      |
| Black Canyon of the Gunnison | Mounds                                | Great Sand Dunes             | Organ Pipe Cactus |
| Booker T. Washington         | El Malpais                            | Hagerman                     | Petroglyph        |
| Buck Island Reef             | El Morro                              | Fossil                       | Pinnacles         |
| Cabrillo                     | Florissant                            | Beds                         | Pipe Spring       |
| Canyon de Chelly             | Fossil                                | Hohokam Pima                 | Pipestone         |
| Cape Krusenstern             | Beds                                  | Homestead                    | Poverty Point     |
| Capulin Volcano              | Fort Frederica                        | National                     | Rainbow Bridge    |
| Casa Grande Ruins            | Fort                                  | Monument of America          | Russell Cave      |
| Castillo de San Marcos       | Matanzas                              | Hovenweep                    | Saguaro           |
| Castle Clinton               | Fort                                  | Jewel Cave                   | Salinas           |
| Cedar Breaks                 | McHenry                               | John Day                     | Scotts Bluff      |
| Chiricahua                   | National Monument and Historic Shrine | Fossil Beds                  | Statue of Liberty |
| Colorado                     | Fort Pulaski                          | Joshua Tree                  | Sunset Crater     |
| Congaree                     | Fort                                  | Lava Beds                    | Timpanogos Cave   |
| Swamp                        | Stanwix                               | Little Big Horn              | Tonto             |
| Craters of the Moon          | Fort Sumter                           | Battlefield                  | Tuzigoot          |
|                              | Fort Union                            | Montezuma Castle             | Walnut Canyon     |
|                              | Fossil Butte                          |                              | White Sands       |
|                              |                                       |                              | Wupatki           |
|                              |                                       |                              | Yucca House       |



Boz Who?

Match quotes to speakers

- 1. "When choosing between two evils, I always like to pick the one I never tried before."
- 2. "I find television very educational. Everytime someone switches it on, I go into another room and read a good book."
- 3. "The less a man knows, the bigger the noise he makes and the higher the salary he commands."
- 4. "I don't know jokes. I just watch

- the government and report the facts."
- 5. "Too bad all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxicabs and cutting hair."
- 6. "I'm trusting in the Lord and a good lawyer."
- 7. "Either I've found a rope, or I've lost a horse."
- 8. "Man consists of two parts, his mind and his body, only the body has more fun."
- 9. "My doctor gave me six months to live, but when I couldn't pay the bill he gave me six months more."
- A. George Burns
- B. Woody Allen
- C. Ed Wynn
- D. Mark Twain

- E. Mae West
- F. Walter Matthau
- G. Oliver North
- H. Groucho Marx
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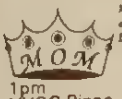


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- 1: Fred Astaire (1899); Betty Condon (1919); Calamity Jane (1852); Scott Carpenter (1925); Rita Coolidge (1945); Glenn Ford (1916); Bobcat Goldthwait (1962); Joseph Heller (1923); Gary Owens (1935); Jack Paar (1918); Max C. Robinson (1939); George Strait (1952); Nancy Walker (1921)
- 2: Ted Bessell (1935); Jont Bon Jovi (1962); Catherine the Great (1729); Bing Crosby (1904); Leslie Gore (1946); Englebert Humperdinck (1936); Lorenzo Musi (1937); Dr. Benjamin Spock (1903)
- 3: Mary Astor (1906); Mel Blanc (1908); James Brown (1933); Stepin Fetchit (1902); Greg Gumbel (1946); Doug Henning (1947); Mary Hopkin (1950); Wynonna Judd (1964); Niccolò Machiavelli (1496); Golda Meir (1898); Michael J. Pollard (1939); Petr Seeger (1919); Walter Slezak (1902); Frankie Valli (1937); Chini Walker (1927)
- 4: Maynard Ferguson (1928); Audrey Hepburn (1929); Horace Mann (1796); Roberta Peters (1930); Randy Travis (1959); George Will (1941); Pia Zadora (1956)
- 5: Nellie Bly (1867); Pat Carroll (1927); Ann B. Davis (1926); Alice Faye (1915); Karl Marx (1818); Lyonne Power (1913); Tannity Wyatt (1942)
- 6: Sigmund Freud (1856); Stewart Granger (1913); Ross Hunter (1924); Willie Mays (1931); Bob Seger (1945); Rudolph Valentino (1895); Orion Welles (1915)
- 7: Teresi Brewer (1931); Robert Browning (1812); Gary Cooper

- (1901); Totie Fields (1930); Gabby Hayes (1885); Archibald MacLish (1892); Darrin McGavin (1922); Robin Strasser (1945); Peter Tchaikovsky (1840)
- 8: Melissa Gilbert (1964); Garry Glitter (1940); David Keith (1954); Sonny Liston (1932); Don Rickles (1926); Toni Tennille (1943); Harry S. Truman (1884)
- 9: James Barrie (1860); Candice Bergen (1946); John Brown (1800); Albert Finney (1936); Glenda Jackson (1936); Billy Joel (1949); Lloyd Price (1933); Tommy Roe (1943); Hank Snow (1914); Mike Wallace (1918)
- 10: Fred Astaire (1899); Bono (1960); Graham Gouldman (1945); Dave Mason (1946); Robby Thompson (1962)
- 11: Johnny Appleseed (1774); Irving Berlin (1888); Foster Brooks (1912); Eric Burdon (1941); Louis Farrakhan (1933); Doug McClure (1935); Denver Pyle (1920); Margaret Rutherford (1892); Mori Sahl (1927); Phil Silvers (1912); Kent Taylor (1907)
- 12: Burt Bacharach (1929); Yogi Berra (1925); George Carlin (1937); Ian Dury (1942); Gloria Estelan (1962); Emilio Estevez (1962); Millie Perkins (1940); Dante Rossetti (1828); Howard K. Smith (1914); Tom Snyder (1936); Steve Winwood (1948)
- 13: Bea Arthur (1926); Peter Gabriel (1950); Joe Louis (1914); Stevie Wonder (1950)
- 14: David Byrne (1952); Jack Bruce (1943); Bobby Darin (1936); George Lucas (1944)
- 15: Eddy Arnold (1918); Joseph Cotten (1905); Constance Cummings (1910); Pierre Curie (1859); Richard Daley (1903); Terrence Tient D'Arby (1962);

- Brian Eno (1948); Laurie Kazan (1942); James Mason (1909)
- 16: Harry Carey, Jr. (1921); Henry Fonda (1905); Janet Jackson (1966); Liberace (1919); Gabriela Sabatini (1970); Margaret Sullivan (1896)
- 17: Dennis Hopper (1936); Sugar Ray Leonard (1956); Maureen O'Sullivan (1911); Taj Mahal (1942); Debra Winger (1955)
- 18: Frank Capra (1897); Perry Como (1912); Dwayne Hickman (1934); Reggie Jackson (1946); Pope John Paul II (1920); Bill Macy (1922); Robert Morse (1931); Pernell Roberts (1930)
- 19: David Hartman (1937); James Fox (1939); David Hartman (1935); Grace Jones (1952); Nancy Kwan (1939); Ho Chi Minh (1890); Joey Rantone (1952); Pete Townshend (1945)
- 20: Clier (1946); Joe Cocker (1944); Moshe Dayan (1915); James Stewart (1908)
- 21: Raymond Burr (1917); Peggy Cass (1924); Armand Hammer (1898); Robert Montgomery (1904); Alexander Pope (1688); Harold Robbins (1916); Mr. T (1952)
- 22: Richard Benjamin (1938); Michael Constatine (1927); Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (1859); Quinn Martin (1927); Peter Nero (1934); Sir Laurence Olivier (1907); Harry Ritz (1906); Richard Wagner (1813); Paul Winfield (1941)
- 23: Barbara Barrie (1931); Rosentary Clooney (1928); Joan Collins (1933); Douglas Fairbanks (1883); James Gleason (1886); Harvint Hagler (1952); Helet O'Connell (1921); Arne Shaw (1910)
- 24: Roseanne Cash (1955);

- Tommy Chong (1938); Bob Dylan (1941); Patin Labelle (1944); Priscilla Presley (1946); Queen Victoria of England (1819)
- 25: Claude Akins (1918); Dixie Carter (1939); Jeanne Crain (1925); Miles Davis (1926); Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803); John Gabrel (1931); Tom T. Hall (1936); Connie Sellecca (1955); Beverly Sills (1929); Gene Tunney (1898); Leslie Uggans (1943); Karett Valentin (1947)
- 26: Ben Alexander (1911); James Arness (1923); Peter Cushing (1913); Al Jolson (1886); Peggy Lee (1920); Stevie Nicks (1948); Jay Silverheels (1922); John Wayne (1907); Hank Williams, Jr. (1949)
- 27: Clint Black (1962); Todd Bridges (1965); Louis Gossett, Jr. (1936); Wild Bill Hickok (1837); Henry Kissinger (1923); Christopher Lee (1922); Lee Meriwether (1935); Vincent Price (1911); Sam Snead (1912); Bruce Weitz (1943)
- 28: Carroll Baker (1931); Dionne quintuplets (1934); Ian Fleming (1908); Beth Howland (1941); Gladys Knight (1944); Jim Thorpe (1888); Martha Vickers (1925)
- 29: Patrick Henry (1736); Bob Hope (1903); Stacy Keach (1914); John F. Kennedy (1917)
- 30: Mel Blanc (1908); Benny Goodman (1909); LaToya Jackson (1956)
- 31: Don Ameche (1908); Tom Berenger (1950); Clint Eastwood (1930); Gregory Harrison (1950); Jack Holt (1888); Joe Namath (1943); Johnny Paycheck (1941); Norman Vincent Peale (1898); Brooke Shields (1965); Lea Thompson (1961); Walt Whitman (1819); Peter Yarrow (1938)



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>City Meetings: Aging-1st Wed 9:30 am, Airport-1st &amp; 3rd Tu 3 pm, Arts-1st Mon 3 pm, Education-2nd/4th Tu 7 pm, Health-1st/3rd Tu 3 pm, Housing Authority-2nd/4th Th 4 pm, Human Rights-1st/3rd Th 4:30 pm, Library-1st Tu 5:30 pm, Planning-Th 1:30 pm, Police-Wed 5:30 pm, Port-1st Tu/3rd Wed 4:30 pm, Public Utilities-2nd/4th Tu 2 pm, Rec and Park-3rd Th 2 pm, Social Services-1st Th 9:30 am, Status of Women-4th Th 4 pm, Supervisors-Mon 2 pm</p>				<p>1 11am VVCC Senior Council Meeting 7pm ROSES Meeting</p>	<p>2 12noon VVCC Seniors Painting Classes</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 1pm VVCC Bingo</p>	<p>5 11:30am VVCC Senior Shopping Day</p>	<p>6 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo</p>		<p>8</p>	<p>9 12noon VVCC Seniors Painting Classes</p>	<p>10 VVCC Annual Meeting &amp; Elections</p>
<p>11  1pm VVCC Bingo</p>	<p>12 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day</p>	<p>13 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 4:30pm Sunnydale Tenants Meet 7pm El Dorado NBC Meeting</p>	<p>14 6pm Executive Park Advisory Committee</p>	<p>15 8pm Beacon Council meets at VVMS</p>	<p>16 12noon VVCC Seniors Painting Classes</p>	<p>17 10am Visitation Valley Arts Festival &amp; Street Fair</p>
<p>18 1pm VVCC Bingo</p>	<p>19 11:30am VVCC Senior Shopping Day</p>	<p>20 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 3:30pm Via Valley Neighborhood Collaborative Meets</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 12noon VVCC Seniors Painting Classes</p>	<p>24 10:30am Vis Valley Task Force at 50 Raymond</p>
<p>25 1pm VVCC Bingo</p>	<p>28  11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day</p>	<p>27 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29  9am USDA Surplus Food Distribution Day at VVCC</p>	<p>30 12noon VVCC Seniors Painting Classes</p>	<p>31</p>

**TASK FORCE MEETING MAY 24**

**Child Care Study**

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of the study earned at least \$2 an hour more than comparably educated colleagues in their community who left. To improve the quality of NAEYC-accredited centers, the study's authors recommend that NAEYC strengthen their accreditation criteria related to teaching staff compensation and turnover. The authors also recommended that projects to support centers seeking to enhance quality expand their focus to address staff compensation and retention issues.

Millions of public and private dollars have been targeted to help child care centers achieve NAEYC accreditation. Centers in this study that received the greatest investment put it to the best use. They achieved accreditation and improved their level of quality at far greater rates than did centers receiving less or no support from outside sources. According to the study, intensive support included on-site technical assistance from a child care program expert, custom designed training for staff and directors, paid release time for staff training, and an ongoing support group for directors.

Centers receiving minimal support were least likely to achieve NAEYC accreditation. Centers that sought but

did not complete the NAEYC accreditation process showed no observable improvements in quality. Along with greater focus on how to reward and retain skilled teachers with better pay, the authors recommended investments in accreditation support projects that provide comprehensive services to centers.

"Achieving NAEYC accreditation makes an important contribution to centers attempting to enhance their services," stated Mary Whitebook, Ph.D., one of the study's principle investors and NCLCW's Senior Research and Policy Advisor. "But to insure high quality care and to sustain improvements over time, it will be necessary to systematically address the compensation of child care teaching staff. In turn, improving compensation will require large scale parking information to secure greater financial resources for child care centers, and to release this is an and the over-reliance of the US child care system on parent fees."

"The alternative," suggests Whitebook, "is continued mediocre care, with intolerably high levels of staff turnover, at a time in children's lives when skillful, consistent caregiving makes a crucial and lasting contribution to healthy development."

San Francisco Department of Public Health Childhood Lead Prevention Program

**THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS IMPORTANT HEALTH INFORMATION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS**

**SAN FRANCISCO LEAD HAZARD NOTICE FOR PRE-1978 DWELLINGS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO OWNERS OF PRE-1978 DWELLINGS**

Federal law requires property owners of pre-1978 dwellings to:

1. Disclose in writing any known lead-based paint and associated hazards before selling or renting any housing built before 1978. A lead inspection or assessment is not required.
2. Provide prospective buyers or tenants with a copy of the EPA pamphlet, "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home."

San Francisco law requires property owners of pre-1978 dwellings to:

1. Provide the "San Francisco Lead Hazard Notice for Pre-1978 Dwellings" to both prospective and current tenants.
2. Sign and keep on file the Affidavit, which attests that the property owner has provided the "San Francisco Lead Hazard Notice for Pre-1978 Dwellings" to tenants as required.

If you want to know more about how to protect you and your family from lead poisoning, you may call the following agencies:

- Department of Public Health Childhood Lead Prevention Program (415) 554-893
- Consumer Action Lead Poisoning Prevention Project (415) 777-9648
- California Department of Health Services Lead Information Line (510) 450-2424

LEAD IS A POISON THAT IS ESPECIALLY HARMFUL TO YOUNG CHILDREN AND DEVELOPING FETUSES. WHEN CHILDREN HAVE TOO MUCH LEAD IN THEIR BODIES, IT MAY CAUSE LONG-TERM EFFECTS ON THEIR LEARNING ABILITY, ATTENTION SPAN, HEARING AND GROWTH.

**On the Road to Success At Sunnydale on May 8**

Residents near and far are invited to a special *On the Road to Success* event sponsored by the American Red Cross and taking place in the Sunnydale Auditorium on Thursday, May 8 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Recipe of the Month**

**CHICKEN WITH SAUCE SUPREME**

2-1/2 lbs. broiler-fryer chicken; 1 tbsp. salt; 1/8 tsp. pepper; 1 can (10 3/4 oz.) condensed cream of chicken soup; 2 tsp. dried parsley flakes; 1 can (16 oz.) whole onions, drained; 3 cups hot cooked rice.

Cut chicken into pieces; cut each breast half into halves. Arrange chicken sides up and thickest parts to outside in oblong baking dish, 12 by 7-1/2 by 2 inches. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cover loosely and microwave on high until chicken is done, 20 to 25 minutes.

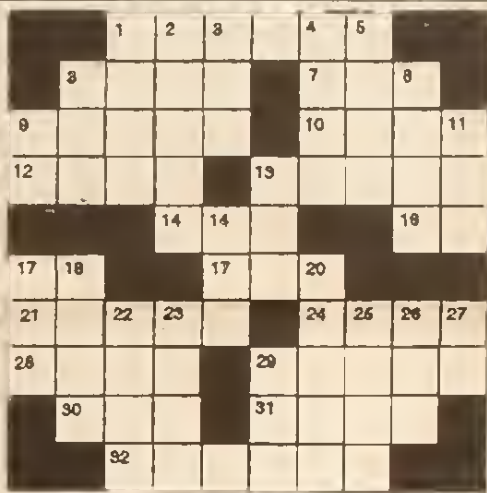
Remove chicken from dish; reserve juices. Stir soup and parsley flakes into chicken juices. Arrange chicken in dish, coating with soup mixture. Add onions. Cover loosely and microwave until hot, 7 to 9 minutes. Serve with rice. Serves 8.

**Bump, the Grump** By: Jackie Holder



**Grapevine Crossword**

- ACROSS  
1 Dispenser  
6 Headliner  
7 Direct  
9 Furnace  
10 Detergent  
12 Record  
13 Loft  
14 Negative  
16 New  
18 Testament  
17 Radium  
19 Recent  
21 Subside  
24 Tube  
28 Roman emperor  
29 Conflagration  
30 Metal  
31 Place  
32 More beloved
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**Recycle 10% More and Help Raise \$10,000 for Your Neighborhood Summer Programs for Kids**

Just by recycling 10% more, programs for kids in your neighborhood will receive \$10,000 for summer recreation, arts & crafts, sports, job training and other activities. Kids Count! So, accept the challenge and recycle more! Now through June 30.



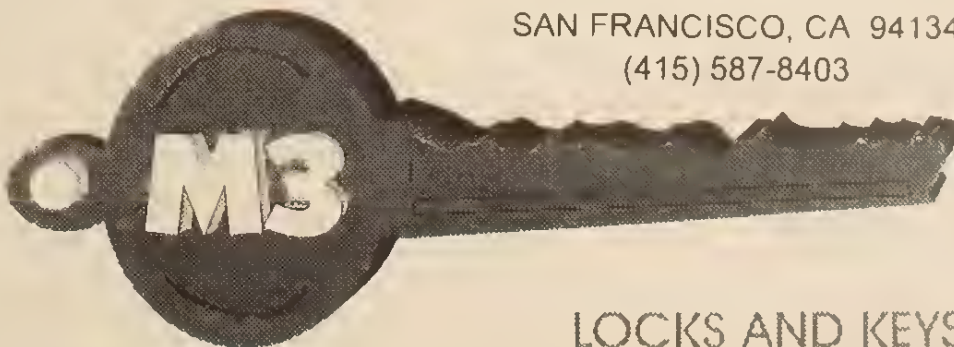
Participating Neighborhoods: Bayview/Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, Mission, Portola, Potrero Hill, & Visitacion Valley

**San Francisco RECYCLING PROGRAM**

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LOCKS AND KEYS



## A Difference with Springtime Recycling

By David Issmann  
S.F. Recycling Program

You might have noticed the bright blue street signs that have appeared around the neighborhood promoting recycling. Those are part of the Spring Recycling Challenge, which is designed to help raise money for summer youth programs while increasing recycling. If recycling goes up by 10 percent, \$10,000 will be donated to neighborhood youth programs in Bayview/Hunters Point, Mission Visitacion Valley, Portola, Potrero Hill and Bernal Heights.

We're also calling 15,000 households in the same neighborhoods to promote recycling. If you pick up your phone one evening and the person at the other end says, "Hi, I'm calling from the San Francisco Recycling Program about the *Spring Recycling Challenge* campaign that is happen-

ing in your neighborhood, and to find out if you are satisfied with your recycling services," you're talking to one of our neighborhood youth callers. This is your opportunity to give us feedback.

You may wonder about how important it is to increase recycling participation. Well, if every resident of San Francisco added two pieces of junk mail to their recycling each week, we'd recycle an additional 10 million pounds of material every year. And if every resident recycled another three steel/tin cans a week, it would add up to 7 million pounds.

Recycling plastic bottles can also make a difference. Although plastics made up a minute percentage of the waste stream in 1960, plastics now take up more than one-quarter of landfill space nationwide.

Recycling paper can have a dramatic impact on tree cutting. If 45 percent of our paper nationwide came from recycled paper, we could save 2.5 billion cubic feet of timber (and million of trees) a year.

Secondly, recycling paper reduces the burden on landfill space. Nationwide, paper takes up 40 percent of landfill space, and here in San Francisco, 35 percent of all the waste we generate is paper. That adds up to over 7,000,000 pounds of paper every year in San Francisco. And, although we recycle a lot of it, we still send more than 4,000,000 pounds of paper to our landfill every year. By recycling more, we can help save some of our landfill space, and keep our garbage bills lower.

Thirdly, paper is a resource that we shouldn't throw away after a single use. A study by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency showed that for every ton of recycled paper we use instead of virgin paper, we save 4,100 kilowatt hours of energy (that's enough to power the average home for six months), conserve 7,000 gallons of water, and keep 60 pounds of pollutants out of the air.

To put paper recycling in perspective, if all the paper waste generated

in San Francisco was recycled back into paper, we would save almost 1.5 billion kilowatt hours of energy (more than enough to power every home in the City for six months!), as well as saving 2.5 billion gallons of water. We

would also keep 21 million pounds of pollutants out of the atmosphere.

So, getting back to the neighborhood's summer programs for kids, help raise \$10,000 for neighborhood programs for kids by recycling "Recycle More" presentation for your neighborhood, call 554-RECYcle.

by the end of June, you could have made a difference to *your* neighborhood's summer programs for kids. For more information or to schedule a

# BINGO AT VVCC

66 Raymond Ave. (at Bayshore)  
San Francisco

Sunday Afternoons at 1 p.m.  
Doors Open at 11:30 a.m.

BIG PAYOUTS EACH GAME

2 Pad Minimum: \$13  
3 for \$15, 4 for \$20



### AT THE RANDALL MUSEUM

Sign-ups begin 12:30 for 1 p.m. classes. Space is limited. No organized groups. Some spaces can be reserved for members - call 554-9600 for information. Young Audiences Arts Card holders receive a 2 for 1 discount. \$4-10 a person sliding scale. Adults must accompany children under 8.

\*MAY 3: *Totally Turtles*: Meet land, pond and desert turtles face to face. Ages 5 and up.

\*MAY 10: *Randall-Made Rhythm Instruments*: Build instruments using common materials. Integrate fun and creativity while learning the physics and mechanics of making music.

\*MAY 17: *Playground Physics*: The study of gravity, speed and the flight of boomerangs has never been so much fun. Ages 5 and up.

\*MAY 24: *Stenciled T-shirts*: Create your own design on a shirt using natural decorative elements like leaves, branches and seeds.

\*MAY 31: *Wildflowers*: Explore the glorious early flowers.

### FAMILY CERAMICS

Try a variety of fun clay projects in an enjoyable introduction to clay work for all ages from 10 to 11:15 a.m. on Saturday, May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.

### FREE ON SATURDAYS

Met the Animals Talk at 11 a.m., Animal Feeding at 12 noon, Model Railroad Exhibit on May 10 and 24 from 12:30 to 5 p.m.



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